



Proverbs 8:32-35

Now then, my children, listen to me; blessed are those who keep my ways.

Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it.

Blessed are those who listen to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway.

For those who find me find life and receive favor from The Lord.

What's New?

We have found our new office Administrator! Drop in to the front office and say hi to Catherine. Office hours are Monday to Thursday 9am—3pm

What's Needed?

We are seeking people to join our teams at both services to welcome people as they arrive, assist with serving tea & coffee and cleaning up. We need people to read the Bible at service and join our music team. Ever operated a coffee machine or want to learn? Tell us and we will get you on the list for lessons. These are all great opportunities to be involved and get to know our growing church family.

What's on the horizon?

Praying, talking and vision casting has begun for this coming year. Vision must always begin with prayer. The vision that is forming has a direct focus on reaching into the community.

Next months Newsletter will have a feature article on this process for us here at Lakes Anglican.



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New look, new focus becomes Welcome Back!

Welcome back to our second edition. This production is about letting you know what is coming up at Lakes Anglican, so you can plan ahead. You are busy people. We get that. We also want to travel with you to provide opportunity for growing in God's Word, gathering with friends and exploring new opportunities to be part of a larger family. Enjoy the read and we hope to see you all soon.

CONNECT WITH US

Discipleship and outreach is not on the sole task of clergy or church workers.

Through September, our Sermon series will focus on the word discipleship, with emphasis on:

- The cost of discipleship
- Commission to Discipleship
- Going the Distance as a Disciple
- Reward for Discipleship
- And Being a Family of Disciples

Our Latest Accomplishments

It is always a good thing, I believe, to celebrate milestones and accomplishments. This past month has been a big one, with much to celebrate as we look back over the month.

We have seen the completion of the foyer, turning it into a café space. New look brings a new name. Not only does it create a venue for between services, it also creates a space to sit, meet and build relationships. From this, the vision of holding evening gatherings complete with acoustic style worship music. Instead of holding to a service format, this setting creates opportunity for testimony sharing over a latte or cappuccino and maybe a BBQ to follow.

A growing number of Confirmation candidates. As of the time of printing, we have already accumulated five of our younger church family to be confirmed. These are exciting times to be in!

Artsfest again proved that there is a connection we can provide to the art world. While the numbers may have been down on previous years, a positive outcome has been to run children's art classes as a holiday program with an exhibition to follow!

We had another fund raiser for the Samaritans with the talented David Willersdorf joining with the One Faith Trio. We had a wide-ranging audience gather for some great entertainment.

October promises to be another great month of bringing people together here at Lakes Anglican



Making our Space Work

We have a new gathering space on sight. What used to be the foyer is now a useable space for meetings before, between and after services. It is also a space for Bible studies, evening events and other more casual get togethers.

The words I have heard repeated over and over is welcoming and inviting. That is who we are as a church and this is reflected in the first fourteen seconds when people arrive at church. Does this make a difference? Absolutely! Would you invite someone to come with you to a place that was not welcoming?

Our office space is being utilized more efficiently. There will be more changes this coming month to better create intentional creative spaces for praying and planning. Our front desk space is functioning efficiently with the introduction of paperless diaries and simplified systems.

All this provides opportunity to be ready for new growth. This is what we are here for:
To Build the Body of Christ!

What's Happening

October is becoming a busy month for us here at Lakes. The following list is a guideline to key events for the month.

◆ Monday 1st October

- Labour Day Public Holiday
- School Holidays are on!

◆ Sunday 7th October

- Daylight Savings begins. Clocks go forward one hour!
- Sermon Series on Hebrews
Part 1. "New Spin on an old Conversation"
Hebrews 1. 1-4;2.5-12 with Revd. Tim
- 6pm: 628CREW

◆ Thursday 11th October

- Kid's Disco night: Disco for under 8yo's

◆ Saturday 13th October

- 1:30pm: Op Shop Fashion Show

◆ Sunday 14th October

- Sermon Series on Hebrews
Part 2. "Confident Grace".
Hebrews 4.12-16 with Revd. Tim
- 9:30 Gathering: Baptism of Eliza & Hunter

◆ Monday 15th October

- Back to School!

◆ Friday 19th October

- Curry with a Twist—6pm in the Church

◆ Sunday 21st October

- Digging Deeper @9:30. Youth Bible Study with Harriet
- Sermon Series on Hebrews
Part 3. "The Highest Priest of all".
Hebrews 5.1-10 with Revd. Tim

◆ Friday 26th October

- Synod at the Cathedral 11am-6pm

◆ Saturday 27th October

- Synod at the Cathedral 9:30am-5pm

◆ Sunday 28th October.

- Sermon Series on Hebrews
Part 4. "A Guarantee like No Other"
Hebrews 7.21-28

◆ Sunday 28th October.

- Mother's Union with Guest speaker Annette Shorten



Children's Youth and Family Ministry with Annette

September has been an exciting month to end Term 3.

Kidzone – Our last day for term 3 and our theme, Mission Possible will end on 30th September.

September has seen us explore Adam & Eve, Abraham, Moses, Joshua and Gideon. We hosted Lakes Grammar year 1 & 2 students who loved being apart of the fun and chaos.

Feedback that has been passed on is that some of the children have asked their parents to come back! Kidzone will return on Sunday 14th October with children's activities available during the 9:30am service.

Playtime: Term 3 we were exploring Outer Space with the kids. We have seen new families come in and we will organise a social outing just for the mums and nans for a chat and get to know each other.

Term 4, we will be focusing on People in the Community. We will have some visitors and guests come to Playtime such as local police officers and fire fighters.

Kids Disco— We will be holding a Kids Disco on the 11th October for children 8 years and under.

HeartBeat: Term 4 starts 31st October and ends 5th December. It's a fabulous time incorporating music and movement in an environment that builds relationships. The little ones have loved colouring in up the back of the church after morning tea and now find our church space a safe and fun place.

Our HeartBeat families have also been able to meet and get to know a wider group of people from church through members of Mothers Union hosting morning tea. Its beautiful to see those barriers being broken down.



GirlsCru: GirlsCru is held every Wednesday lunchtime at Lakes Grammar School for years 5&6 girls.

This term during October, our theme will be "You are Beautiful". We will explore the beauty in everything through God's teachings.

628CREW—There will be no meetings for the 628CREW throughout the month of October. Term 4 resumes the 1st Sunday of November (4th November 2018)

7CREW, Have been mentoring and supporting Edan and Callum as they continue to do peer Christian leadership in their school. They are currently using a resource by Bill Hybles called "Who are you when no-one is looking" They are also able to work with Crusaders leaders who regularly visit the school.

EYE ON IT Current church trends

Church as we know it is changing in the world. Some of the change is helpful and some, for us anyway would not be. That doesn't mean to say we should ignore what is happening around us. Our model of worship for the 9:30 gathering is engaging a new group of worshippers, yet we are able to reach more. There is opportunity for us to engage within the digital area of reaching people, which will come shortly.

HUMOUR Monthly Picks

A preacher visits an elderly woman from his congregation. As he sits on the couch he notices a large bowl of peanuts on the coffee table. "Mind if I have a few?" he asks. "No, not at all!" the woman replied. They chat for an hour and as the preacher stands to leave, he realizes that instead of eating just a few peanuts, he emptied most of the bowl. "I'm terribly sorry for eating all your peanuts, I really just meant to eat a few." "Oh, that's all right," the woman says. "Ever since I lost my teeth all I can do is suck the chocolate off them."

